

WITH THE District Agriculturist

By J. S. Duncan

Workmen's Compensation For Farm Employees

Many farmers are not aware that they can obtain Workmen's Compensation coverage for their employees. This insurance can be obtained whether men are hired by the year or on a seasonal basis. The cost of this coverage is reasonable, at present about 3 percent of the annual payroll, and the rates are reviewed each year.

A farmer may also obtain coverage for himself provided that he is also getting coverage for other employees.

The benefits of the policy are:

1. All necessary medical and hospital expenses at public ward rates.

2. Compensation on the basis of 75 percent of average weekly earnings, up to a maximum set out in the act.

3. If permanent disability is suffered, a pension for life based on the degree of disability.

4. In the event of death from an accident, a dependent widow receives pension for life or until re-marriage.

I have a bulletin in my office giving more detailed information, drop in and pick up a copy.

Livestock Brands

A brand is a means of identifying livestock, but in order to be a legal mark any brand must be registered. The cost of registering a brand is small, \$2.00 registers a brand for the first four years and then \$1.00 for each subsequent four years.

If you intend to brand your stock at all, make sure the brand is legal. I have a supply of applications for brands at my office and will be glad to help anyone who wants to apply for a brand.

Coyote Control

Nearly every day we hear people saying that the coyotes are causing them trouble. In spite of this there are very few farmers using the control methods which are available. Cyanide Guns and Styrachine Pellets are available free of charge from your local Pest Control Officer or District Agriculturist. These materials have proven very effective when used properly. If the coyotes are causing trouble and losses, it should be worth a little effort on your part to get rid of them and this is a good time of year to do it.

Southern Sayings

Next meeting of the Strawberry Plains W.I. will be held on January 20 at the home of Mrs. P. Funk. Hostesses, Mrs. A. Long and Mrs. H. Long. Roll Call, Your Favorite Month and Why. Raffle, Mrs. E. Tomlinson. Topic, Social Welfare and Education by Mrs. H. Long. Program, Mrs. J. Jackson.

At the December meeting, election of officers took place. President, Mrs. J. Jackson, re-elected; Vice-President, Mrs. K. R. Dawson; Secretary, Mrs. Martin Creasy; Treasurer, Mrs. Ted Hill; Directors, Mrs. E. P. Tomlinson, Mrs. M. Reber and Mrs. Alex Cairns.

Winners in the Farmers Bospital south of the truck were: Alex Cairns and Charles, and Arthur Jackson, electric clocks. Also Eddie Jackson, side of bacon.

Eddie, Lorna and Noreen were visitors to Wainwright on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne McLeod.

We hear that Mrs. Earl Tomlinson is in Hardisty hospital. We hope that there is not anything seriously wrong, and that she will soon be home again.

Mrs. E. L. Simmermon visited her father Mr. S. H. Simmons, of Kinross on Tuesday of this week.

Glen-Coo Gleanings

Miss Vera Mikkelsen was a visitor of Mrs. C. Gulbraas for a couple of days last week.

Mr. O. Litnes attended a Mission Board meeting at Saskatoon last Friday.

Mrs. L. Hollings is a patient at Hardisty hospital this week. We hope she is home again before long.

Mr. Oren Spring is now the Fullerbrush salesman in the Provost district. We wish him well in his new venture.

Miss Evelyn Erickson came home last week-end and accompanied her father, Mr. E. R. Erickson, back to Edmonton, from where he continued his journey by car to the coast.

The B. Gulbraas and L. Peterson families had visitors last week-end from Veteran and Monitor.

Mrs. Sigurd Fluevog and little Gail of Vancouver are visiting Mrs. Fluevog's parents at Wainwright. Cur sympathy is extended to Mrs. Fluevog and her family on the recent death in Vancouver of an older sister. Before returning to Vancouver we expect to see Mrs. Fluevog pay a visit to our district.

Rev. and Mrs. C. Satre, little Curtis and baby Randi arrived last Friday for a visit with parents and other relatives and friends of the district. Pastor Satre has attended a ministerial conference in Saskatoon and is enroute to Vancouver again. Sharon had the pleasure of having Pastor Satre as guest minister last Sunday morning. They left for Vancouver again on Thursday morning.

Hospital Meeting Routine Business

Minutes of meeting of the Board of the Irma Municipal Hospital District No. 55, held in the office of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Village of Irma, Alberta, on the 30th day of December, 1954.

Full board present: F. M. Hill, A. C. Archibald, D. H. Gunn, Mr. F. M. Hill in the chair.

Archibald—that Minutes of previous meeting as read by Secretary be accepted.

Circular Letter from Dept. of Health dated December 9, 1954, read and filed.

Hill—that the fee for Subscriber's Tickets including Extra Service for 1955 be set at \$10.00. Such tickets purchased during the month of January to become effective immediately. Tickets purchased after January 31 to become effective only after thirty days from date of purchase.

Archibald—that notice be inserted in the Irma Times, two issues, re particulars of regulations regarding purchase of Hospital tickets.

Financial Statement presented. Month of November: Receipts \$458.25, Disbursements \$225.30, Net balance \$232.95. Month of December: Receipts \$1107.50, Disbursements \$822.50, Net balance \$285.00.

Gunn—that financial statement be accepted as presented.

The following accounts were examined by the board and found in order and were on motion of A. C. Archibald passed for payment.

Viking Hospital	\$191.40
Hardisty Hospital	182.40
Irma Times	9.00
A. C. Charter	55.00
A. C. Archibald	24.00
D. H. Gunn	8.00
F. M. Hill	24.00
Howard A. Oldham	44.25
Providence Hospital	34.00
Mannville Hospital	27.20
University Hospital	226.25

Gunn—adjourn.

Donation to the Alberta Protestant Home for Children has been received in memory of the late Mr. Roy Reber from Haskon and Vera and family, in memory of the late Mr. H. Rustand from Mr. J. A. Hedley.

Northern Nuggets

The FUA held a successful bingo and dance at Albert on January 7. Following is a list of prize winners: Ruth Allan, a planter; Albert Hinton, set of bowls; Lawrence Keller, floor mat; Mrs. H. Schreyer, canisters; Stanley Jones, bread box; Consolation, Mrs. Allan Larson and Edgar Jones.

Marjorie Meyer, glasses; Albert Jones, cushions; Vance Shipley, pill-w cases consolation; Mrs. Edgar Jones.

Mrs. D. Staden, towels; Consolation, Mrs. Edgar Jones, Maurice Miller, Mrs. C. Ramsay; Mrs. Hanson Larson, set of saws; Mrs. F. Prosser, flashlight; Mrs. F. Prosser, folding chair, first prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Currie were city visitors on Thursday last, Mrs. Currie staying up for a few days visit with relatives. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hardy on the birth of a daughter, Mary Catherine, in Mannville hospital, on January 8.

Mrs. Chris Emslund has been in Edmonton for medical attention. We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Emmott and boys have left on a holiday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Emmott at the coast.

Two Opbindale youngsters, little Joan Prior and Clinton Coulman are Scarlet Fever victims.

There will be a Stanley Test at the home of Mrs. J. Clisdon on Friday, January 21 at 8 p.m. Everyone interested is welcome to attend.

Due to shortage of space this week, the list of ladies rinks and Jarroo News had to be held over till next week.

The Irma Times is the best advertising medium possible. Our correspondents cover every part of the district. Merchants or business places who do not use The Times columns are losing a fine opportunity to keep their weekly messages in this paper "that is read in every home in the trading area."

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IRMA W.A. ELECT OFFICERS

The senior group of the Irma W.A. held their annual meeting late in December. The treasurer's report showed around \$600 taken in for the year. A tenth was sent to the M. and M. fund.

About 16 cartons of strawberries were given to the elderly shut-ins for Christmas cheer. Cards were sent to members who had moved away.

The new slate of officers for the next two years are as follows:

Mrs. J. C. McLean, President. Mrs. M. Knudson, 1st Vice. Mrs. M. Enger, 2nd Vice. Mrs. I. Reiser, Secretary. Mrs. H. L. Black, Treasurer. The Rev. H. W. Inglis conducted the meeting for the devotionals and the introduction of the new officers.

Four new members joined at the annual meeting, Mrs. Tomlinson, Mrs. Alex Smallwood, Mrs. A. McRoberts and Mrs. Fischer.

Card of Thanks

The Blood Transfusion service of the Canadian Red Cross wish to express their sincere appreciation to all residents of Irma and district who volunteered at the Blood Donor Clinic held in Wainwright.

A total of 406 persons registered at the clinic, thus assuring the service of a good supply of blood to help tide them over the holiday season.

Winners of turkeys donated by local organizations were as follows: Tuesday afternoon—Turkey donated by Nurses Chapter AARN won by Mrs. Mary Middlemas. Wednesday afternoon—donated by OORP and won by Mrs. J. Shadbolt of Edgerton.

Wednesday evening—donated by Ladies Auxiliary to Canadian Legion, won by Albert Rodgers of Wainwright.

Card of Thanks

I would like to sincerely thank the many Irma friends who so kindly remembered me with cards and letters this Christmas and New Year. I do appreciate your kind remembrances.

—Mrs. J. Fenton.

- Notice -

Applications will be accepted not later than Saturday 22nd January 1955 for 1955 consumer contracts by way of construction and/or extensions. In former years these were accepted on the annual meeting date, owing to Power Commission regulations, the above date is the deadline. Kindly govern yourselves accordingly.

NORMAN WILLERTON, President
Roseberry Rural Electrification Assoc. Ltd.
14-21c

Public Notice

To the ratepayers of subdivisions No. 2 and No. 6 of the Wainwright School Division No. 32: Nominations will be received for the office of subdivisional trustee by the Secretary-Treasurer at the office by mail or in person between January 15th, 1955 and January 31st, 1955 inclusive. Nomination forms may be had from the Secretary-Treasurer at Wainwright.

Subdivision No. 2 includes: Village of Irma, Jarroo, Glenholm, Melbrae (east) St. Plains, Coal Springs, Sunny Brae, Crescent Hill, Silver Lane and Fabyan.

Subdivision No. 6 - Wainwright School District No. 1658.

Oliver G. Griffiths, Secretary-Treasurer,
Wainwright School Division No. 32
14-21c Wainwright, Alta.

Farmers Bospital Results

Our mild winter has delayed curling this season but now the Irma Curling Club has got away to a flying start by beginning the season with two bospital.

The first event was the Farmers Spiel which was well underway when we wrote about it last week and gave the personnel of the 23 rinks enjoying this spiel.

The winning rinks and prizes were as follows:

Grand Challenge

1. A. Cook, Mrs. Cook, W. Dootson, J. Kennedy. Prize, four jackets donated by J. C. McFarland Co.

2. E. Jones, Tobe Smith, F. Gardiner, M. Rae. Four electric Toasters—F. Jack Hardware.

3. D. McKay, Ivor Thurston. Lorraine Smallwood, R. O. Larson. Four cans Antifreeze—Central Garage.

4. W. Lawson, H. Larson, W. Whitely, E. Burr. Four Lighters—Irma Pool Hall.

2nd Event

1. A. Cairns, Butch Fischer, C. Cairns, A. Jackson. Four Electric Clocks—Irma Co-op.

2. H. Riley, E. Jackson, J. Craig, Grant Lind. Four sides of bacon—Irma Food Market. (Winners to call for them there.)

3. Allan Larson, G. Coulman, R. King, Mrs. A. Larson. Four brooms—Irma Curling Club.

4. M. Knudson, P. Spring, H. Fuder, J. Dunbar. Chocolates—Club Cafe.

3rd Event

1. M. Younker, D. Taylor, E. Fenton, S. Gulbraas. Four pails of grease—C. Anquist.

2. C. Smallwood, Mrs. Smallwood, Marion Smallwood, H. Elliott. Four cases of oil—P. E. Jones Co.

3. J. Mackay, Irene Younker, C. Younker, V. Gaden. Four quilts—antifreeze—R. Hansen.

4. C. Archibald, A. Archibald, Colleen Archibald, Mrs. E. J. Meyer. Four flashlights—V. Hutchinson and Co.

The bospital for the townspeople followed right after the Farmers spiel. A dozen rinks were engaged in the village and the final games were played on Tuesday night of this week.

As we have not been able to get all the winners names as yet, we will give the Townsmen's spiel full treatment next week.

EASTERLY ECHOES

At the Institute meeting at Mrs. E. Fenton's last week plans were laid for a Valentine Tea and home cooking sale, to be held in the Legion Hall on Friday, February 11.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Fenton will entertain the families of the Institute members at "500" on Saturday, January 15.

Mrs. Jean Steele is attending ACWA convention in Edmonton this week.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cook, Wm. Dootson and Jim Kennedy on winning the Farmers bospital last week.

Congratulations also to Lorne Cook, George Nemyo, Ronnie King and Robbie Morse on appointment to the ranks of IMA School Safety Patrol.

Quite a number of folk in the district are sick with colds. Some measles are reported. We are sorry to say that little Alice Oldham is in the hospital. Miss Younker was also a patient in hospital this week.

ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE
Mrs. Alma Enger wishes to announce the marriage of her second daughter, Alice Alma, to Raymond Sequin, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Sequin of Wainwright. The wedding took place in Wainwright on January 3.

The Ladies Open Bospital will be held at the Irma Curling Rink on January 21 and 22.

HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

The Home and School Association will meet in the school on Monday, January 17 at 6 p.m. All parents wishing to order vitamin pills through the Home and School Association please let the Secretary, Mrs. Sympington, know, or come to the meeting.

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ATA Meeting

The Irma Sub Local ATA meeting was held in the Irma School Lunchroom on January 4. Ten teachers were present.

Mr. A. Ronaghan and Mrs. E. Prosser gave reports. It was decided to have a shield for the Games Meet which will be held in the spring. Another article on the teaching of reading was read.

A delicious lunch was served by Mrs. G. Fischer, Mrs. E. Prosser and Mrs. F. Clumstad.

The February meeting will be at Albert School.

CHURCH SERVICES

UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, January 16
Irma Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Worship Service 11:30 a.m.
Jarroo 8 p.m.

Irma YPU at 8 p.m.
Exalt ye the Lord our God and worship in His holy hill, for the Lord our God is holy.

H. W. Inglis, Minister.

ST. GEORGE'S MISSION

A service will be held in Metropolitan School, weather permitting, on Sunday, January 23 at 4 p.m. This service will be conducted by the Rev. J. Moorhouse.

SHADLOW LUTHERAN

Sunday School at 11 a.m.
Luther League at 8 p.m.
L. Knudson, Pastor.

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KIEFER'S SHOWS

at IRMA
Friday, January 14 8:40 p.m.
"IT HAPPENS EVERY
THURSDAY"
Technicolor - Family

Friday, January 21 Family
"FAST COMPANY"
Howard Keel, Marjorie Main

Legion Bingo for Polio Fund, Saturday, February 12

115 Manitoba municipalities now on equalized assessment

The program of reassessment was "the biggest and most difficult job ever undertaken by the department of Municipal Affairs," Hon. Edmond Prefontaine, minister of Municipal Affairs, told his radio listeners in a recent "Provincial Affairs" broadcast.

Now, however, 80 municipalities have been completely done and another 35 have received direction and financial assistance from the department in making completely new assessments, the minister reported.

"This means, he said, 'that for the first time in the history of this province we have 115 municipal units that are as close to being properly equalized assessment-wise as is possible.'"

The Assessment Equalization Board, which is required to make an equalized assessment every second year, was able to work from a proper basis when it undertook the latest equalization a few months ago.

The 115 municipalities already equalized were related to the remaining municipalities and figures arrived at sent to the respective municipalities.

Cave appeal—These figures are not necessarily the final figures," Mr. Prefontaine emphasized. Municipalities may appeal to the board for further consideration, he said, and the board itself reserves the right to vary the proposed equalization figures should an adjustment be warranted.

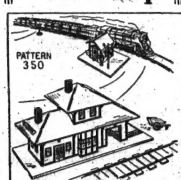
"The importance of having a good equalized assessment should be clear to everyone," he said, "when it is realized that it is the main factor in the distribution of approximately \$7½ million of provincial school assistance."

With a change in relationship between municipalities, he pointed out, some will receive a larger and others a lesser portion of the total amount.

Municipalities were assured, however, "that the package will not be smaller and the government will not reduce its overall contribution to education because of increased assessments."

The financial position of Manitoba municipalities remains "reasonably sound and satisfactory," the minister said.

Home Workshop



This pattern is complete ready for tracing saving and assembling everything shown in the sketch except the train and track. Painting directions are given on the pattern to get realistic effects for the depot at Littleburg, the crossing, the shanty and the gate-man himself. Pattern 350 is 35c. It is included in the Right O'Way Packet which contains patterns for freight yard structures; over-pass and culverts; tunnels through mountains made from newspaper, clay, a mixture of shredded newspapers and paperhangings' paste. Also church and factory buildings. There are eighteen hundred square inches of tracing designs in this packet. Everything in correct proportion. Price of packet is \$1.50 post paid.



This is the season for indoor games. When the gang gets tired of disk-croquet change to tennis, using the same mat and disk. Finally there is the kiddy-toss ball game that is something like darts but without the ball. The ball is tossed into the kiddy's wide-open mouth and rolls back to the player. Any kind of small ball will do and all that needs to be made is the box with a kitten's face for the front that is 12-inches high and painted in bright colors. Pattern 411 carries tracing diagrams for everything with rules for the three games and will be mailed for 35c. It will be included in the Kiddy Room Games Packet of eleven different family games for \$1.50 postpaid. Address order to—

Department P.F.I., Home Workshop Pattern Service, 4435 West Fifth Avenue, Vancouver, B.C.

CURLING COMPLAINT

My car is stiff, the weather's cold. To get some gas, it must be towed; But the pumps are locked, and I am told They're curling!

I've got a cold, I'm feeling tough. Without some rub it will be rough; The boss is gone—can't find the stuff— They're curling!

I feed the pigs and milk the cow— It goes to town, but not right now; They won't haul it anyhow— They're curling!

With faces shining like a jewel, Our kids must try to learn the rule; But do you find them in school? They're curling!

When Grandpas are away it's, mighty rare, They're usually home in a rocking chair; You are right, they are not there— They're curling!

Our mothers used to think it nice To sweep the floors, and cook the rice; But now they'd rather sweep the ice— They're curling!

To curlers all, who read this rhyme, Control yourself, forget my line; We can't fight now—I haven't time— I'm curling!

—Gordon Nielson, Ferintosh, Alta.

Readers will be interested to know that this was written by a boy who has suffered complete blindness through diabetes. His friends joined together to get him a typewriter and radio, and he's doing nicely in mastering the typewriter.

Funny and Otherwise

"Does your wife talk much?" "I'll say she does. While we were on holiday her tongue got sunburnt."

"Aren't people funny?" "Yes. If you tell a man there are 270,678,954,511 stars in the universe he'll believe you, but if a sign says 'Fresh Paint' that same man has to make a personal investigation."

"Is Macpherson a typical Scot?" "I should say he is. He's saved all his toys for his second childhood."

A woman burst into tears in court and told the magistrate that she had been jilted four times in the last two years.

Said the magistrate: "And I suppose the experience 'was naturally unmanly'?"

Old Tom had had a good week and thought he'd buy his wife a present, so he picked up the table and carried it out of the house, put it on top of his head and trotted down the road.

Bill Smith met him. "Ain't Tom, are you moving?"

"No," said Tom, "I'm going to buy the wife a tablecloth."

Two men were working on a very tall building. Suddenly the man at the top of the ladder, called to his mate at the bottom: "I say, Jim, come up here a minute and listen."

His mate slowly climbed the ladder and at last, quite out of breath, reached the top.

"I can't hear anything," he said after listening intently for a while.

"No," said the other, "Ain't it quiet?"

"Hullo! I hear you've got married?"

"Yes, I got tired of restaurant food."

"And now?"

"I'm beginning to like it again."

PEGGY



4-Year-old girl regular reader coast library

VANCOUVER—A four-year-old Chinese-Indian girl walks into the children's section of the main branch of the Vancouver public library almost every day because she has nothing much to do. She is one of the many "clients" of Miss Isabel McTavish, head of the boys' and girls' section for 25 years.

Miss McTavish believes in bringing children and books together at an early age.

"If children start to read at an early age they come to respect books, and chances are they'll read throughout their lives."

Despite television and radio, youngsters read more today than they did 10 years ago, says Miss McTavish. In 1922 half a million more books were read by Vancouver children than were read in 1942.

More accessible

"For one thing," she explains, "our books are more accessible."

Four new branches were opened in that 10-year period. And television has also, I think, made book publishers turn out much more attractive books."

Miss McTavish says 55 percent of all Vancouver children hold library cards and read an average of 25 books each year.

The librarian attributes this increase in reading to the close co-operation between schools and public libraries. Every school has a library, and meetings are held three times a month between school and public librarians.

Diet should be well-balanced

The diet for the expectant mother should be a well-balanced one, including the necessary proteins, minerals and vitamins. Raw fruits, vegetables and tomatoes, eggs, fish and meat should be included. Plenty of milk and milk products are essential, as well as wholegrain cereal and bread. In addition, vitamins are a necessary supplement to the diet at this time.



THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

Condensed Annual Statement

30th November, 1954

ASSETS

Cash on hand and due from banks (including items in transit)	\$ 467,429,065
Government of Canada and provincial government securities, not exceeding market value	969,888,546
Municipal and other securities, not exceeding market value	288,188,034
Call loans, fully secured	156,395,205
Total quick assets	\$1,881,900,848
Other loans and discounts	1,031,626,844
Mortgages and hypothecs insured under the N.H.A. (1954)	22,672,390
Bank premises	24,194,181
Liabilities of customers under acceptances, guarantees and letters of credit	59,349,565
Other assets	7,152,016
	\$3,026,895,844

LIABILITIES

Deposits	\$2,797,548,149
Acceptances, guarantees and letters of credit	59,349,565
Other liabilities	23,064,466
Total liabilities to the public	\$2,879,962,180
Capital paid up	41,809,863
Retained Account	103,619,726
Undivided profits	1,504,075
	\$3,026,895,844

STATEMENT OF UNDIVIDED PROFITS

Profits for the year ended 30th November, 1954, after making appropriations to Inner Reserves, out of which full provision for bad and doubtful debts has been made	\$20,913,511
Provision for depreciation of bank premises	2,079,466
Provision for income taxes on above profits	\$18,834,045
	\$ 9,558,045
Dividends at the rate of \$1.42½ per share	\$5,151,634
Extra distribution at the rate of 10 cents per share	417,711
	\$ 5,569,345
Transferred from Inner Reserves after provision for income taxes excludable	16,000,000
Balance of undivided profits, 30th November, 1953	\$19,988,700
	1,515,373
Transferred to Retained Account	\$21,504,075
Balance of undivided profits, 30th November, 1954	\$ 1,504,075

JAMES MUIR,
Chairman and President

T. H. ATKINSON,
General Manager

Militia training for farmers

The army has introduced a system of militia training for prairie farmers who, scattered as they are and too busy much of the year to train one or two nights each week, have not been able to enlist in western Militia units.

Four, eight-week courses for farmers have been held on a full time basis since the crops were harvested in the fall. Their entire year's training was wrapped up into those eight weeks.

The courses were held at Minto Armouries, Winnipeg, under the direction of regular army instructors. Uniforms, equipment, food and lodging as well as full pay and allowances were provided men attending the courses. Several hundred men have been trained under the new plan.

Canadian statistics report

(A Weekly Review)

Food: Butter and cheese stocks in 9 regional cities were higher this year than last at the start of December. The pack of canned corn was larger this year. Wheat flour production was up nearly 12 percent in the first quarter of the current crop year.

Business: Commercial failures under the Bankruptcy and Winding Up Acts soared nearly 50 percent last year in the first three quarters, and defaulted liabilities jumped 82 percent.

Banking: Cheques cashed in clearing centres across Canada were worth 17 percent more in October than in the same month last year. The 8-month tally showed an increase of 7.5 percent.

Prices: At the start of November the Consumer Price Index still read 116.8, the same as at October 1 and September 1, and only about one-half of 1 percent higher than a year earlier. Wholesale prices of industrial materials showed no net change between October 19 and November 26.

Farm prices: Agricultural products fell 5 percent October, all commodities except dairy products showing a decline.

Manufacturing: The automotive industry made 15 percent fewer motor vehicles in November than in the same month last year, and January-November production was down 28 percent. Steel ingot production was down nearly 23 percent from last year in October, over 24 percent in the first 8 months.

Manufacturers: sold almost twice as many TV sets in September as in the same month last year, topping the previous record by 42 percent.

Transportation: The decline in railway carloadings continued to ease in the third week of November, when loadings were off only 1 percent from last year. Over 2 percent more freight was loaded through Canadian canals in October than in the same month last year.

Labor: For the fourth consecutive month Canadian labor income exceeded a billion dollars in September, and was 1.6 percent above the total for September last year.

Alberta school children will get vaccine

EDMONTON.—Alberta school children will take part next spring in the second test of Salk polio vaccine to be held in the province.

Dr. A. Somerville, deputy health minister, said the province will receive about 30,000 units of the experimental vaccine. Some 20,000 students took part in the tests held this year. The results are expected to be known next spring.

Drive With Care!



OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY —

Talk is not cheap

—By ROBERT OBERST

UNCLE ABEL, who was really my great-uncle on my father's side, might have been seventy-five years old, maybe ninety—one really knew; but everyone knew he was the talkiest man that ever breathed. My mother said he had lived his life in a mill town somewhere in northern Pennsylvania as a patternmaker in a foundry. But the things he'd tell like the time his ship was wrecked off the coast of South Africa and he swam high into twenty miles to reach dry land.

We were not a large family: my father, my mother, sister Julie, kid brother Jess and myself, on a fifteen-acre truck farm in the pine woods of southern Jersey. Last January, my mother, my sister, Uncle Abel had come to live with us. He was a skinny man; must've been tall in his young days, but now he was quite curled over. But there was nothing the matter with his voice. He did no work to speak of; said it interfered with what he had to do, which was sitting on the doorstep and whittling on a stick with his ancient jackknife, talking, talking . . .

to my mother, "you ain't hangin' 'Looka here, Annie," he'd say them clothes up right now. In the fust place you hang them edge-wise to the sun and that ain't common sense 'cause that way the sun don't hardly shine on them at all. Now, the way I'd hang wads on a line—"

My mother would stare at him, clothes pins in her mouth, her eyes blazing with eloquence stronger even than Uncle Abel's spoken words. But Uncle Abel would whittle on and say, "The way to go about things in this house . . . now, what I'd do . . ."

But my father tolerated Uncle Abel. As for instance, at the end of a day's plowing, my father would come into the kitchen, hot and sweating, his face lined with dust of the fields; he'd be hungry too, and there'd wait at the supper table—kid brother Jess, sister Julie and I, listening to Uncle Abel. I knew my mother couldn't stand him and his yarns, but we kids always listened.

Sometimes he'd tell us real exciting stories like the time he'd fought the Indians; or how he had swum up a jungle river with fifty huge crocodiles in hot pursuit. My father would sit down at the table and off went Uncle Abel: "Tell you what, Joshua—that was my

father's name—"you ought to wash outside at the yard pump instead of comin' into the kitchen and washin' at the sink. Messes things up for Annie. Ma's the time I'd wash my face with snow up near the North Pole while I was lookin' for gold in Alaska—"

"Please, Uncle Abel—" pleaded my mother. Uncle Abel continued as if my mother had not spoken. "We will now say grace," said my father calmly.

I wondered why mother couldn't be as patient as father, instead of raging inside her at Uncle Abel, the way she did. And said grace, and my father said "Amen" and we all started to eat the roast beef and mashed potatoes. Uncle Abel ate a half mile south of ours, though his mouth was chuk full . . .

Sunday afternoon my mother, more resentful than ever at Uncle Abel's chattering, announced to Jess, Julie and me that we were going to visit the Thompsons, on a farm a half mile south of ours. Uncle Abel invited himself at once. Mother, furious, could not openly tell him to stay home and keep my father company, for father didn't like to visit on Sunday afternoon. It was his time of rest.

Uncle Abel regaled us with yarns as we walked along the country road. My mother suggested we take the short-cut, the path through the woods. The path led us to a log bridge over Bramble's Creek, a green swirling current, not very wide between banks. It was cool here, with pines and spruce crowding each other.

My kid brother Jess, always adventurous, left the party and remained on the bridge. He let himself over the edge of the logs and dangled down. Uncle Abel meanwhile, was at his best. "This spot reminds me of the time I was lost in the jungles of the Amazon. Couldn't find my way out nohow, with night comin' on fast and the jungle chock full with wild beasts and snakes. All I did was jest hang on to the log and wait. This spot reminds me of the time I was lost in the jungles of the Amazon. Couldn't find my way out nohow, with night comin' on fast and the jungle chock full with wild beasts and snakes. All I did was jest hang on to the log and wait. This spot reminds me of the time I was lost in the jungles of the Amazon. Couldn't find my way out nohow, with night comin' on fast and the jungle chock full with wild beasts and snakes. All I did was jest hang on to the log and wait.

Uncle Abel was saying: "Now that calls to mind once when I was in India, along the Ganges River . . ."

"For heaven's sake, do something!" said my mother. Uncle Abel said: "Once, when our steamer struck a iceberg in the North Atlantic I rescued the Captain—" Uncle Abel jumped into the water foot first. His white head ducked under and remained under for a spell. Finally it appeared above the surface and Uncle Abel began moving shoreward, dragging Jess after him. Then Uncle Abel climbed out of the water, pulling Jess along. Jess coughed the water out of his windpipe. Jess said: "Mother, mother, Uncle Abel is drowning!" Uncle Abel choked and spluttered. He had swallowed too much water and now he just keeled over and lay still upon the bank.

"Hurry, run and fetch father," said my mother.

It was quite dark when Uncle Abel opened his eyes in our house with Dr. Haley from Crestville bending over him. Uncle Abel's mouth moved, but the best he could manage was a whisper: "Reminds me of the hurricane off the Florida Keys . . ."

"Don't try to talk," said Dr. Haley kindly. "I'm afraid you've lost your voice, for how long, I can't say. But you'll be able to whisper and you're lucky at that." I could see my mother's lips tremble and she looked sorry. I heard my father call her aside and say: "You'll be gentle with him, Annie, when he brags about what a swimmer he is. Jess would have drowned easy, even though the water's only four feet deep at the bridge."

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STATEMENT

I like dogs.
Big ones filled with dignity—
Wagging solemn tails at me:
Scampering, playful ones—
Mischievous and full of fun:
Pups of proud pedigree—
Mutt of assorted ancestry.
For loyalty, life-long and true—
For trust—and real devotion,
I like dogs.
too—

Wt 31-wing force of B-42 jet bombers now building for the U.S. air force will cost an estimated \$1.5 billion. 3122

THE NUFFIELD SCHOLARSHIP has been awarded to Fred Smith of Edmore. The scholarship was awarded annually to a young Canadian farmer in Western Canada, entitled Mr. Smith to a six months tour of the British Isles. Mr. Smith was recommended for the Nuffield award by the Manitoba Federation of Agriculture and Co-operation. His farm at Edmore is part of the homestead originally settled by his grandfather in 1888. Fred has a diploma in agriculture from the University of Manitoba.

Large number conventions set for jubilee year

REGINA. — Next year, a substantial number of national and international organizations will participate in the observance of Saskatchewan's Golden Jubilee by holding their 1955 conventions in the province. According to a preliminary list of events, recently compiled by the Golden Jubilee Office, approximately 40 regional, national or international gatherings have already been scheduled. In addition, an approximately equal number of Saskatchewan organizations are expected to place considerable emphasis on the jubilee theme, during their 1955 conventions, and plans are under way for localized community celebrations at numerous points throughout the province.

Other highlights of the Jubilee Year will include a province-wide Day of Prayer; observance of a Jubilee Day in all Saskatchewan schools; the official opening of the new Provincial Museum in Regina; and the new University Hospital at Saskatoon; and special Jubilee pageants at Regina and Saskatoon. In Regina, Saskatchewan's fifteenth anniversary will be generally featured during the next two weeks of July.

KNOW THIS

After the darkness and storm Cometh a radiant light;
After the winds and the rain Cometh the sunshine and bright;
After the gloaming and night Cometh the glorious dawn;
After the falling and cares Cometh the victor's song.

BUSY TRAFFIC

An all-time record of 33,400,000 tons of freight moved through Canada's canals in 1953, compared with 18,800,000 in 1953.

Good possibility farm cash income may rise next year

The Federal Government estimated farm cash income dropped by about \$300,000,000 in 1954 to a four-year low of roughly \$2,400,000,000. But it said there is a "good possibility" it may rise in 1955. It estimated that net income, remaining after farmers provide for operating expenses, depreciation and increases or decreases in farm stocks, also dropped, but gave no estimate of the decline. It indicated, however, there is no likelihood of a rise in net income next year.

There have been unofficial estimates that net income dropped in 1954 by more than \$400,000,000 to a seven-year low of about \$1,200,000,000.

Group of reports

The estimates and forecasts were contained in a group of interdepartmental reports prepared for the annual Federal-provincial agricultural conference.

Federal and provincial agricultural ministers, their deputies, as well as spokesmen for national farm organizations gathered to study the outlook for Canada's \$8,000,000,000 farm industry.

The reports, prepared by Federal trade, food and economic experts, made these points:

1. The international economic outlook, and that for Canadian food exports, now is more reassuring than it was a year ago. But

ness activity in North America, though slightly below the high 1953 level, now is stable or rising slightly.

2. Britain and other Commonwealth and West European customers are experiencing an expansion in employment and production, providing grounds for assuming world demand for food will be supported by stable or rising incomes and employment in most countries.

3. The manner in which the United States undertakes to dispose of its huge food surpluses will have a bearing on Canadian agricultural sales. The U.S. has embarked on a program of disposing \$1,000,000,000 worth of food in three years through the acceptance of local currencies. Canada demands payment in dollars.

Wheat surplus disposal

4. The outlook for disposal of Canada's wheat surplus is bright. Though Canada produced only about 300,000,000 bushels of wheat this year, she had record carry-over stocks of some 594,200,000 bushels from the last crop. The reports estimated that the carry-over next year will be reduced "materially."

5. Hog production likely will increase by about 10 percent next year, with smaller increases likely in marketings of cattle, calves, sheep and lambs. Though meat consumption may increase in Canada, farmers will have to depend more heavily on export markets, particularly in the U.S., for disposal of surplus hogs. Hog prices are expected to show the biggest change next year.

6. Milk production is estimated to increase next year by about 300,000,000 pounds to a record 17,000,000,000. The increase is expected mainly in Quebec and British Columbia, where the cow population is rising.

Egg prices are likely to drop in the first four or five months of 1955, with increased marketings. A seasonal upswing in egg prices may develop in May or June, but prices are expected to be lower than in the 1955 hatch.

The reports estimated that wheat accounted for most of the decline in 1954 farm income. Returns from livestock and dairy products had increased, but prairie deliveries of wheat to the Canadian Wheat Board had dropped sharply. Wheat prices also were down. So were prices for barley.

Thus, the experts figured farmers' cash income for 1954 would drop about 10 or 12 percent below the 1953 receipts of some \$2,700,000,000. The estimated 1954 drop of about \$300,000,000 would be the sharpest in post-war years. The peak cash income was the 1952 return of \$2,820,000,000.

1955 Outlook

As for 1955, the report on the economic outlook said:

"Under average or better-than-average crop conditions it is probable that farmers' cash receipts in 1955 may be somewhat higher than in 1954."

"A large part of the 1954-55 Western wheat deliveries will likely take place during the first seven months of 1955. This together with fall farm deliveries

above the record low-level deliveries of this present fall season would raise the returns from this source next year."

"Present indications suggest there will be no significant change in livestock cash receipts during 1955. Increased deliveries are likely to offset any prospective price declines. Income from other products is expected to remain at about the 1954 level."

"In 1955, farm operating expenses are not likely to vary significantly from those of 1954 (considered somewhat lower than in 1953). On the basis of an average crop, estimated higher deliveries and smaller carry-over stocks at July 31, 1955, farm inventories of grain at the end of 1955 will be below the 1954 year-end levels."

"This continuing decrease in year-end farm inventories of grain would, however, be offset by the anticipated gain in cash income to provide a farm net income approximately the same as in 1954."

Nurse likes the Arctic

WINNIPEG. — A former army nurse who served in Britain and Newfoundland during the Second World War says Barren Island in Canada's eastern Arctic is the most fascinating place of all.

Alice Mitchell is furthering her studies in Winnipeg after spending two years at St. Luke's Hospital, Pangnirtung, Baffin Island. Miss Mitchell said she even enjoyed the standard diet of seal liver, ptarmigan, Arctic caribou, canned meats and dehydrated vegetables. The fare is bolstered by "quantities of vitamin pills."

HOT SPRINGS

VICTORIA. — A natural hot springs area has been given to the British Columbia government for development as a provincial park. It is at Hot Springs Cove on the west shore of Vancouver Island.

—By Les Carrell

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To The Editor

(Opinions expressed under this heading are those of the letter writers.)

Editor,
Irma Times,
Irma, Alberta.

Dear Sir or Madam: Once again I would appreciate the use of this column to the appeal to the people of Irma and district for their support in the forthcoming Polio Campaign for 1955, sponsored in Alberta by the Provincial Command of the Canadian Legion.

This appeal is being made not only on behalf of the Irma Branch of the Canadian Legion, the Provincial Command of the Canadian Legion, but also, and more important, on behalf of those people in Alberta who have been stricken by this dread disease and those who may be affected in the coming year.

It is true that the Provincial Government has taken over a great deal of the responsibility in handling these cases, but it is also true that there are a great many phases of the burden caused by Polio that are not covered by any source other than the Legion's Polio Fund.

A few examples of these are as follows:

1. Transportation of victims to hospital.
2. Ambulance services where necessary.
3. Financial aid where house-keeper is required.
4. Financial aid where husband is stricken.
5. Financial aid for Physiotherapy.
6. Purchase of wheelchairs, braces shoes, etc.
7. Aid in rehabilitation of victim.

All requests for aid through this fund must come through the local Branch of the Canadian Legion at Irma. If you know of anyone in the district who has been afflicted, please notify any member of the executive of the Irma Branch at once and application for assistance will be made by them. Anyone residing in Alberta is entitled to aid from this fund and it is in no way restricted to any group or groups of people as some seem to think. In closing, I would add that the Legion has recognized this effort as a community service, bearing out the principles of our own Constitution: "Aid to those less fortunate than ourselves."

Thanking you,

I remain,

Yours truly,

R. E. Congdon,

No. 2 Zone Commander.

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Alberta's Treasury Department

The Treasury Department is concerned with any governmental activity that involves the receipt, custody or payment of money. The department was established by an Act of the Legislative Assembly called "The Treasury Department Act" and is headed by the Provincial Treasurer.



The Treasury Department Act prescribes the main function of the department which is the management and control of revenue and expenditure of the province. Each year the Provincial Treasurer prepares a budget containing estimates of the amounts required to pay the various expenses and costs of government services, as well as the estimates of revenues accruing from various sources.

The Budget Speech, delivered by the Provincial Treasurer to the Legislative Assembly, is a general statement explaining the financial condition of the province and the fiscal program of the Government. The estimates are the amounts of revenues and expenditures expected by each department, and when passed by the legislature, they control the coming year's expenditures.

The Provincial Auditor, an official appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council under the Seal of the Province, keeps the accounts of the province. His responsibilities involve the checking of each item of revenue and the approval of each expenditure. He prepares the Public Accounts in which all the financial transactions of the province during the last fiscal year are set out.

As the Treasury Board, the Executive Council frames regulations respecting the bookkeeping and accounting of the Government.

The Treasury Branches Act authorizes the Provincial Treasurer to establish and operate branches of the Treasury at points throughout the province. To date, 47 branches, 13 sub-branches and 84 agencies have been established.

The Alberta Government Purchasing Agency Act is administered under the supervision of the Provincial Treasurer and the Director of Purchases is responsible to him. The Purchasing Agency purchases all supplies required by government departments.

Also attached to the Treasury Department is the Office of the Queen's Printer.

Printer is responsible for the publication of "The Alberta Gazette," which contains Government proclamations and official notices. This office publishes the statutes of the province and all other Government publications, and supplies all printing, stationery and general office supplies required by the departments.

The Provincial Treasurer administers The Retirement Annuities Act through which Alberta citizens may purchase annuities with a small initial deposit.

For administration purposes, the Board of Public Utility Commissioners is attached to the Treasury Department. Among its many responsibilities the Board regulates the rates charged by utility companies, protects the people of Alberta from unwise investments, approves debentures and regulates the financial activities of local governments. In regard to milk control, the Board computes the average cost of production, audits dairy plans and determines price charges for the consumer.

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Notice

Preparation of Assessment Roll 1955

MD. of Wainwright No. 61

Notice is hereby given that the assessment of the previous year has been adopted under the provisions of The Assessment Act, and that the assessment roll of the said municipality has been duly prepared, and that if any person thinks that any property has been wrongfully assessed, or assessed too high, or too low, or that his name or the name of any other person has been wrongfully entered upon or omitted from the roll, he may at any time prior to the 31st day of January notify the secretary-treasurer in writing of the particulars and grounds of his complaint.

Dated at Wainwright, this 31st day of December, 1954.

Chas. Wilbraham,
Jr. 14-21-28 Sec.-Treasurer.

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4	19	36	47	67
11	25	41	50	75
14	28	44	60	69
15	28	44	60	69
1	24	39	49	71
3	31	51	73	
6	38	58	82	
9	7	45	72	
8				

The numbers for the Vermilion Elks Bingo drawn Monday, January 10th are—
O: 63; G: 53; N: 43.

The bingo is still good.

OPTOMETRIST

D. A. Mathieson, R.O., 205 Bicks Building, Edmonton, Alta., will be in Irma at the Hotel Monday p.m., January 24. For appointment see Mrs. Lang at the Drug Store.

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. J. Dunbar Jr. and small son from Devon spent Christmas week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Dunbar. They have now been moved 300 miles north of Peace River.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Drewicki, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Coulman, Mr. and Mrs. J. Dunbar motored to Lamont on Sunday to celebrate Ukrainian Christmas with Mrs. Drewicki's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Setawsky. A nice trip had a most enjoyable day.

Mr. Dave Paul left Monday night for a trip to the coast. Mrs. R. D. Allen who has been caring for Mrs. M. Thompson at Wainwright has returned to her home here now that Mrs. Thompson has gone to the coast. Mrs. Allen plans to visit with her sister at Wetaskiwin for a few days before setting down again.

The 4th Grain Club will meet at the school lunch room, Jan. 17 at 8 p.m. Mr. Duncan will be at this meeting so will all members and any others between the ages of 12 and 21 who are planning to join please attend. Election of officers will take place. Fatsy Coffin spent last week end with her aunt at Wainwright.

Mrs. A. Enger was an Edmonton visitor last week-end.

The next Irma Square Dance will be held in Kiefer's Hall on January 19 at 8:30 p.m. Henry Lien calling. There will be lunch served. It was decided at the last dance that four couples from our club would be picked each time to furnish lunch.

The Christian and Missionary Alliance Ladies Prayer Band met at the home of Mrs. Leo Shaw on January 6. This was the annual meeting with 9 members and 3 visitors present. Officers elected for the coming year were: President, Mrs. N. V. Ashdown, Vice-President, Mrs. Ashley Murray, Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. M. A. Reber. The next meeting will be held at Viking at the home of Mrs. W. Myers, Hostesses, Mrs. L. Shaw and Mrs. G. Merta. Everyone who wishes to come is welcome.

The Irma W.I. have sponsored a Travelling Library of 35 volumes which is now installed at the Irma Rest Room. Books may be borrowed free of charge by applying to Mrs. McRoberts. Hours 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mondays.

Mrs. Jean Steele was our Irma delegate at the Co-op Convention held at the Macdonald hotel in Edmonton this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Worthing and their three little daughters motored from Edmonton with Mr. Alben Worthing and his young son Dale. They reported a very enjoyable visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Salisbury of Edmonton spent part of New Years at Irma with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Savard.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lucas and small son of James were holiday visitors with Mrs. J. Ostad and Sharon.

Mr. Wm. Masson was an Edmonton visitor on Monday.

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Squin, the former Alice Enger, whose marriage took place in Wainwright on January 3.

Kenny Fischer returned to Edmonton on Monday, after holidaying at his home here.

Former inmates whom we saw in the city this week were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jackson, Mrs. P. Spooner and Miss Isobel Craig.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hochett is a patient in the Wainwright hospital.

Mrs. E. P. Tomlinson is a patient in Hardisty hospital.

Miss Irene Larson is also on the sick list.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. J. Fenton has had the misfortune to fall across a chair and suffer a cracked rib. Her many Irma friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. G. Watkinson is making a good recovery after breaking her arm last week. She is convalescing with Mrs. Fenton at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Carter.

Card of Thanks

As I am unable to write, having broken my right arm, I would like to say a very sincere word of thanks to all my friends and very kind neighbors, for cards, letters and other kindnesses. Thank you.
—Mrs. Watkinson.

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A. C. CHARTER, Secretary-Treasurer,
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Notice

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Carl Anquist

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